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2019 Commencement Speakers



Saint Mary's College of California has named two distinguished leaders to address the College's graduating class of 2019. U.S. Congressman **Mark DeSaulnier** will deliver the keynote speech at Saint Mary's Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony at 9 a.m. on Saturday, May 25, 2019. Technology executive, Saint Mary's Board of Trustee Member, and alumnus **Rand Morimoto MBA '93** will deliver the keynote address for the Graduate and Professional Studies Commencement Ceremony at 9 a.m. on the following Sunday, May 26, 2019. "These are two remarkable individuals who have long shown their support and appreciation for Saint Mary's College," said President James Donahue. [Read More](#)

Men's Basketball Heads to the Big Dance

Applause rung out in McKeon Pavilion on March 16, when Saint Mary's name was called out during the CBS March Madness Selection Sunday show. The team and Gael faithful learned where they will be headed for the opening round of the NCAA Tournament:



Hartford, Conn. Saint Mary's earned a No. 11 seed and will take on No. 6 Villanova on Thursday, March 21, at 4:20 p.m. Pacific. It will be the 10th time in school history that the Gaels have made it to the Big Dance and second time in the past three seasons. [Read More](#)

Carol Ann Gittens, PhD, Named Dean of KSOE

Saint Mary's College of California has named **Carol Ann Gittens, PhD**, as dean of the Kalmanovitz School of Education (KSOE). She will join Saint Mary's on July 1, 2019. Gittens comes to Saint Mary's from Santa Clara University, where her robust experience and visionary leadership to advance innovative, high-quality, accessible, and dynamic programs within diverse and thriving academic environments has been highly successful. She has served in several leadership positions at Santa Clara University and possesses a strong commitment to social justice, inclusive excellence, and transformative learning in support of educational equity, collaboration, community engagement, and academic excellence. [Read More](#)



Reminder: Campus Evacuation Safety Drill

On Wednesday, March 27, at 1 p.m., during community time, Saint Mary's Incident Management Team (IMT) will conduct a campus-wide **emergency evacuation drill** to help prepare and inform community members about where to evacuate in the event of an emergency, such as a fire or earthquake. There are designated Emergency Assembly Areas (EAAs) for campus buildings and residential units, and a lead building

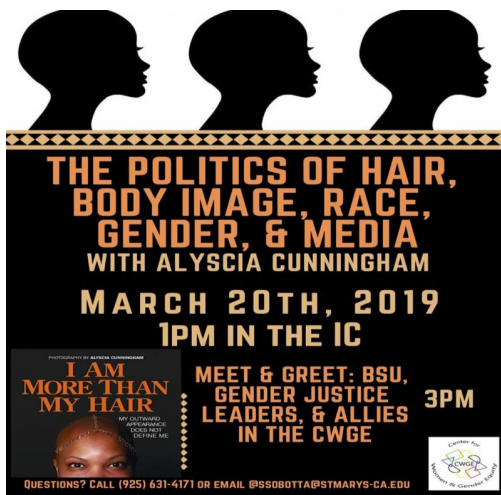
EVACUATION INFORMATION

- Remain calm: Follow emergency guidelines and directions given by emergency personnel.
- Offer assistance to disabled individuals and others.
- Immediately proceed to the safest area, and go to the *Emergency Assembly Area (EAA)*.
- Be sure everyone is accounted for at the EAA.

A stylized map of Saint Mary's College campus. The map features several streets: Mission Road (vertical on the left), Agnes Hall Drive (horizontal across the middle), and Assumption Circle (curved on the right). Key locations are marked: Parking Lot, Agnes Hall Drive, Agnes Hall Drive & Mission Road, Agnes Hall Drive & Assumption Circle, Agnes Hall Drive & Camille, Agnes Hall Drive & Ferdinand, and Agnes Hall Drive & Camille. A large yellow 'X' marks the Emergency Assembly Area (EAA) at the intersection of Agnes Hall Drive and Assumption Circle. A blue arrow points towards the EAA from the bottom left. The map is overlaid with a large, stylized yellow 'X' shape.

keynote speaker—97-year-old National Park Service Ranger Betty Reid Soskin. The theme for the event and the year is “Small Things Matter: Celebrating 20 Years of Small Victories,” speaking to the slow but steady pace of progress for women and gender equity. [Read More Here](#)

The Center for Women & Gender Equity welcomes Alysia Cunningham, distinguished entrepreneur, filmmaker, photographer, and author, for an illuminating talk on her recent work, *I Am More Than My Hair*, on Wednesday, March 20, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. in the Intercultural Center on the SMC campus. Her talk will address the influence of media beauty standards on self-image. A

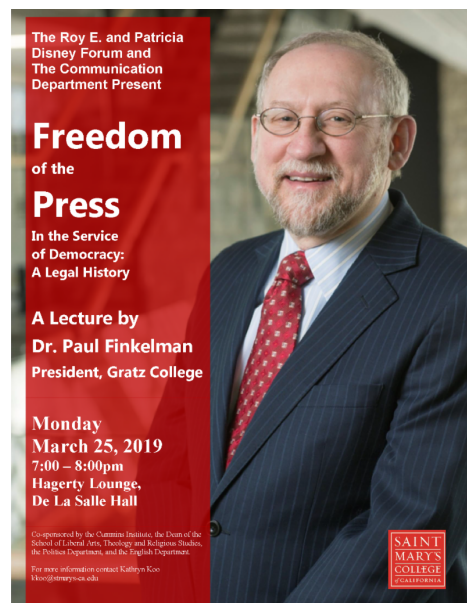


champion of natural beauty and the healing power of self-acceptance, Cunningham's work exists in a time when generations of women are grappling with and redefining what it means to be beautiful, and how to love yourself unconditionally. [Read More](#)

Slavery and the Founders and Freedom of the Press Discussions

Paul Finkelman, PhD, president of Gratz College and author of more than 50 books on American legal history, will offer two campus-wide lectures on Monday, March 25th: **Slavery and the Founders**, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.; and **Freedom of the Press in the Service of Democracy: a Legal History**, at 7 to 8 p.m. Both will be held in Hagerty Lounge. Finkelman's first lecture will explore Washington's and Jefferson's ties to slavery and the fundamental contradictions of our nation's founding. His lecture on the freedom of the press will focus on the legal cases that helped to establish protections that journalists and publishers depend on today.

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View - Arianna Hoffelmann '21 Celebrates St. Paddy's



Engineering student **Arianna Hoffelmann '21** first fell in love with Irish dancing when she saw a performance of *Riverdance* at five years old. She's not Irish but has gained a deep appreciation for the culture after spending over a decade training and competing in the dance, which emphasizes strength and demands that participants make it look as effortless as possible. Hoffelmann, who competed at national and international competitions, retired last year after the 2018 World Irish Dancing Championships in Glasgow, Scotland. [Watch the video](#) to see her dance across the SMC campus.

This Week on Campus

Events

- 03/18 - [Study Salons - Midterms 2019](#)
- 03/19 - [Study Salons - Midterms 2019](#)
- 03/19 - [What Keeps Teachers Going?](#)
- 03/19 - [Facing the Canon - Seminar Informal Curriculum](#)
- 03/19 - [INVEST: No Home Away From Home](#)
- 03/20 - [Senior Survey at the Grad Fair!](#)
- 03/20 - [Grad Fair - Learn About All Things Commencement](#)
- 03/20 - [The Politics of Hair, Body Image, Race, Gender, & Media](#)
- 03/21 - [NCAA Tournament Watch Parties](#)
- 03/21 - [INVEST: No Home Away From Home](#)
- 03/21 - [Third Thurs | Late Night: Disco Ball Making](#)
- 03/22 - [Gadung Kasturi Balinese Dance & Music Performance](#)
- 03/25 - [Prof. Thomas Poundstone: Changing Lenses & Changing Questions](#)

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Religious Services

- Sunday Mass in the Chapel. [View the schedule.](#)

De La Salle Reflection

- [For the week of March 18](#)

Go Gaels

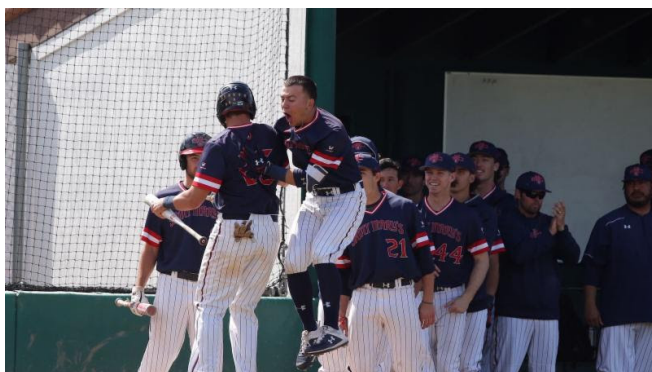


10 Straight Postseason Appearances for Women's Basketball?

The women's basketball team was robbed of its WCC championship last week, but if selected into the WINT later on tonight, the Gaels will make their 10th straight postseason appearance. Check our [homepage](#) or our social channels for updates later on tonight.

BASE | Gaels Complete Sweep of Pacific, Win Eight Straight

The luck of the Irish was on the Gaels side this weekend as they completed a three-



game sweep of Pacific on Sunday, after a strong, nine-run third inning propelled SMC to a 12–7 victory. The Gaels hit the road next week for a single game against the Nevada Wolfpack and will then travel south for a four-game series against Cal Poly. [Read More](#)

Did You Know?

New PowerPoint Template Available

We've updated our official SMC PPT template. Please replace [the old one with this one](#). It can also be accessed anytime at the [College Communications website](#).

Do you have a little-known tidbit or story about Saint Mary's? Send it to [Campus News](#).

Let us remember that we are in the holy presence of God.

Major learning. Minor pretense.

